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## **Federal Communications Commission**

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## **Hearing Aid Compatibility Status Report (FCC Form 655)**

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### **General Report Information**

#### **Type of Company**

Service Provider

#### **De Minimis Exception**

Did you offer any handsets to subscribers in the United States during the reporting period? No

Have you been offering handsets in the United States for at least three years prior to the end of the reporting period?

Date that you began offering handsets in the United States

Are you a small entity?

Were you a small entity at any time during the three years prior to the end of the reporting period?

Date that you ceased to be a small entity?

#### **Company Information**

Company Name: Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.

Brand Names: iWireless

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City: Garretson

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#### **Filing Agent**

Is this report being filed by an agent on behalf of a manufacturer or service provider? No

#### **Product Labeling**

Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets include labeling? No

Explain: Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. (the "Company") is a small CMRS service provider with operations that utilize the GSM air interface in the state of Iowa. The Company provides its service in conjunction with Iowa Wireless Services d/b/a iWireless. The Company operates CMRS facilities but it does not have retail

outlets and it does not offer wireless handsets to the public. As such, the Company qualifies for the de minimis exception set forth in Section 20.19(e) of the Commission's rules.

Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets that were tested under ANSI C63.19-2007, and that are capable of voice communication over any air interface or frequency band that does not have hearing aid compatibility technical standards under ANSI C63.19-2007, include the required language disclosing that the handset has not been rated for hearing aid compatibility with respect to such operation?

N/A

Explain:

Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets that were certified only under ANSI C63.19-2007, but that the manufacturer also tested and found not to meet hearing aid compatibility requirements under ANSI C63.19-2011 for one or more operations that are not covered under ANSI C63.19-2007, include language informing users by clear and effective means that the handset does not meet the relevant rating or ratings with respect to such operation(s)? N/A

Explain:

Do all handsets that are capable of use for Voice over LTE, and that were certified for inductive coupling capability under ANSI C63.19-2011 without being tested for inductive coupling capability over VoLTE, include language disclosing that they were not tested with respect to this operation?

N/A

Explain:

Do all handsets that meet the criteria for an M3 rating by allowing the user to reduce the maximum power for GSM operation in the 1900 MHz band include the required disclosure?

Explain:

#### **Public Website**

Does your company maintain a public website describing all hearing aid-compatible models, the ratings of those models, and an explanation of the rating system? Service provider websites must include the levels of functionality that the service provider has defined, the level that each hearing aid-compatible model falls under, and an explanation of how the functionality of the handsets varies at the different levels.

Website address:

Explain: Not applicable. The Company does not offer wireless handsets to the public and qualifies for the diminish exception.

#### **Consumer Outreach**

Describe consumer outreach efforts in the past 12 months: Not applicable

#### **Methodology for Functionality Levels**

Not applicable

#### **Report Remarks**

You have reported the following handset model summary information.

Total number of handsets offered: 0

Air Interface	Fully Hearing Aid Compatible	Acoustic Coupling Compatible Only	Non-Compliant Handsets	Total by Air Interface
	Number Percent	Number Percent	Number Percent	

# Certification

# This Report has been certified by:

Kari J Flanagan CFO 01/04/2017 08:37 AM